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IN HONOR OF THE BOYS WHO SO GALLANTLY GAVE THEIR STRENGTH, THEIR TIME, AND EVEN THEIR LIVES, THAT WE MIGHT ENJOY THE FREEDOM THAT EACH AMERICAN IS PRIVILEGED TO HAVE AND ENJOY, WE DEDICATE THIS ANNUAL.

SEAMAN FIRST CLASS GEORGE ENGLE
ENTERED NAVY FEBRUARY 27, 1943
KILLED AT SEA FEBRUARY 1, 1944

PRIVATE GORMAN GILBERT
ENTERED ARMY JULY 20, 1944
KILLED IN ACTION SOMEWHERE IN GERMANY, MARCH 6, 1945

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STAFF SGT. CALVIN HAHNERT
ENTERED ARMY OCTOBER 1, 1942
SHOT DOWN DURING BOMBING MISSION OVER HANOVER, GERMANY

TECHNICAL SGT. LESTER MAZELIN
ENTERED ARMY JUNE 30, 1941
KILLED IN ACTION SOMEWHERE IN ITALY, JULY 15, 1944

STAFF SGT. WILLIS TAYLOR
ENTERED ARMY NOVEMBER 3, 1942
KILLED IN ACTION SOMEWHERE IN ITALY, JANUARY 30, 1944

Administration

Faculty

Arthur F. Byrnes, Principal

Biology I

Health 7 & 8

Mrs. Sherman Neuenschwander

History II, III, IV

English III, IV

Myron C. Knauff, Coach

Health II, IV

Physics

Algebra I

Faculty

Carla Lucas

Bookkeeping

Business Arith.

Typing

English 2

Mr. Ezra Snyder
Grades 7 & 8

Mrs. Harry Johnson
Grades 1, 2, 3.

Miss Rowena Miller
Home Ec. 7,8,I,II
English I

Mrs. Elmer Ehrasm
Music

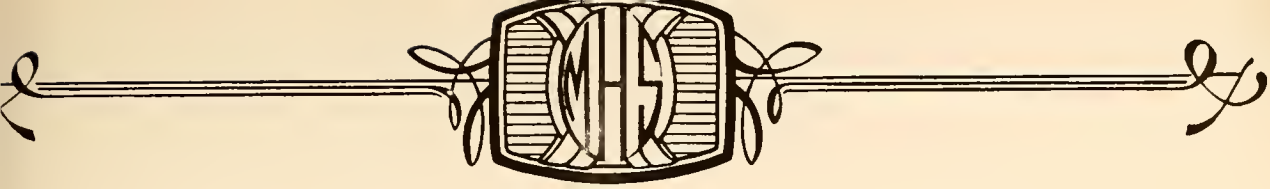
Mr. Leo Strahm
Grades 4,5,6,

Mrs. Arthur F. Byrnes

Latin 1

Musketeers-foursome-
schools out
Janitor-loafers-Some
one just got bawled
out
Chief Engineer

Seniors



SENIORS

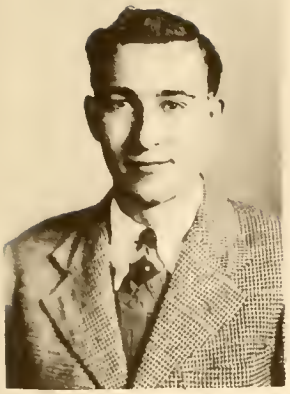
Last fall when the old school bell resumed its chime, we the class of 1948 once more gathered together our text-books and proceeded back to Monroe High School for the final lap of our twelve year journey. After going through eleven years of struggles, we came back prepared for any obstacle which might attempt to hinder our progress. Now at the end of this great journey, we face the future with brains that are swelling with knowledge.

In this our last year, we have had both ups and downs. Somehow, the ups have always managed to overpower the downs and have carried us through with smiles on our faces.

To start the year off with a bang, we elected a full force of efficient class officers. For our chief executive we chose Charles Habegger in the office of president. As vice-president we chose Chester Hirschy who very ably managed affairs in the absence of Charles. Mildred Schwartz, who was elected secretary, was kept busy with minutes and records. Finally, we bestowed upon Vera Yoder, as treasurer, the headache of keeping the class funds out of the red and making both ends of the financial problem meet.

On November 11 and again on the 15th, The dramatists of our class were made famous through their production of a domestic comedy entitled, "Polishing Papa." The cast included Sidney Smith, a rich sausage manufacturer-Ernest Steury; Arthur Smith, eager to invest his dad's money-Donald Wittwer; Jane Smith, Arthur's sister, also possessed of illusions-Vera Yoder; Mrs. Stevens, housekeeper for Sidney Smith-Mildred Schwartz; Marie, a maid-Bonnie Christener; Samuel Karman, an advertising solicitor-Chester Hirschy; Dick Brainerd, a young attorney-Carl Nussbaum; Rose Parker, with whom Arthur is in love-Rebecca Nussbaum; Reginald Dabney, an English Lord-Weldon Nussbaum; and Peggy Sampson, a friend of the Smiths-Rosanna Sprunger.

Senior Class



NORMAN LEE BECHER:

Choir 1 Kirkland; Choir 3 Monroe; Property Mgr. Class Play 3,4; Softball; Track 4; Annual Staff-Typist; Physical Education 1,2;

NORMAN LEE BECHER, a jolly member of our class,
Goes to Willshire to see some sweet lass--
Which makes the Monroe girls all gasp,
Because he thinks none of them will pass.

BONNIE LO CHRISTENER:

Girls Glee Club 2,3,4; Choir 2,3,4; Senior Play; Annual Staff-Typist; Booster Club 4;

I wonder, Oh, I wonder!
For poor John Burger's sake,
Can BONNIE CHRISTENER make biscuits
Like my ma used to make?

BILL EHRSAM:

Softball 2,3,4; Track 3,4;

BILL EHRSAM, known as "Bill"
Takes his Physics with a will,
His black hair gives an impression fair,
But we hardly ever seem to see him care.

CHARLES HABGGER:

Softball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 3,4; Track 3,4; Band 1,2,3; Quartet 2,3; Choir 2,3,4; President 4;

The words rang out as from a tomb!
When all was silence--Then a Boom!
CHARLES HABGGER emerged from the gloom,
And we know that Waneta had sealed his doom.

CHESTER HIRSCHY:

Softball 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Band 2; Track 3; Class Play 4; Choir 2,3; Vice President 4; Sports Editor 4;

CHESTER HIRSCHY just sits and smiles and smiles
At Grace Fisher across the aisle.
"Oh dear," sighs Fisher, "It seems like a mile,
Why don't Knauff go to sleep for a while?"

RAY KAUFFMAN:

Vice President 3;

RAY KAUFFMAN, whose hair is red,
Must pick corn because hogs must be fed.
Going to school is his one big dread--
He can sleep in school, but he prefers a bed.

LEE MOSER:

Softball 2, 3,4; Basketball 3,4; Class Play 3; Track 4;

LEE MOSER, is a Senior lad;
He's not very good, he's not very bad.
Now, dates by Lee can be had,
But; "No, my son," says Lee's dad.

CARL NUSSBAUM:

Choir 1,3; Class Plays 3,4; Physical Education 2; Boys Glee Club 2,3;

CARL NUSSBAUM, a blonde, is by far--
Undoubtedly a bashful star.
Says he, "To Susie Q's, it's not very far--
Who cares if the battery is out of the car.

ELROY NUSSBAUM:

Choir 1,3; Physical Education 1; Softball;

Now, ELROY [illegible] NUSSBAUM are the wonder of our class,
They have a smile for every lass.
Handsome gentlemen are they,
And girls look twice, as they pass their way.

LEROY NUSSBAUM:

Choir 1,3; Physical Educationl, Softball;

Now, ELROY and LEROY NUSSBAUM are the wonder of our class,
They have a smile for every lass.
Handsome cavaliers are they,
And girls look twice, as they pass their way.

PAUL NUSSBAUM:

Band 1,2,3; Quartett 2,3; Basketball 4; Sport Editor annual 4; Track 4; Choir 2,3; Softball 3,4; Class Play 4;

PAUL NUSSBAUM, is not the only son,
His heart by Donne Lou is almost won
His work at Monroe has been done,
We hope that sometime for Junior he'll run.

REBBACA NUSSBAUM:

Band 2,3,4; Choir 2,3; Girls Glee Club 2,3,4; President 3; Class Play 3,4; Sextette 3,4; Trio 4; Annual Staff-Typist 4;

REBBACA NUSSBAUM, the pride of our class,
She's a short, dark-haired, and beautiful lass.
Her grades are good; she's sure to pass--
Her choice is D. W. from the entire mass.

WELDON NUSSBAUM:

Band 1; Basketball 3,4; Softball 3,4; Quartett 2; Choir 2,3; Class Play 3,4; Track 3,4;

Remember WELDON NUSSBAUM, who played on the team?
His lessons were secondary, so it would seem.
Since Gladys fulfills his requirements as queen,
He wonders about as tho' in a dream.

BETTY ROUDEBUSH:

Girls Glee Club 2; Junior Class Play; Class Vice Presidentl; Class Treasurer 2; Choir 2;

Who always starts the arguments?
Who wouldn't trade Frank for dollars and cents?
BETTY ROUDEBUSH, is of course, the girl that's meant
Her assembly hours in playing are spent.

MILDRED SCHWARTZ:

Class Play 3,4; Class Secretary 1,2,3.4 Senior Reporter and Advertising in Annual 4; Booster Club 4;

MILDRED SCHWARTZ, with her big blue eyes,
Seems to accomplish whatever she tries,
She has no time for sobs and sighs,
But tackles her job, and keeps herself wise.

ROSANNA SPRUNGER:

Girls Glee Club 2,3; Class Play 4; Choir 2,3;

Another member of the Senior crowd
Is ROSANNA SPRUNGER, who's always loud;
Her spirit to others has never bowed;
She's one of which her George might be proud.

ERNEST STEURY:

Choir 2,3; Class Play 3,4; Softball 4; Boys Quartett 2,3; Annual Staff 4; Booster Club 4;

ERNEST STEURY, whom they call "Little One"
Is just loads of fun--
He talks, he whispers, he even chews gum,
But what can the teachers do, they don't carry a gun.

DONALD WITTWER:

Band 3,4; Choir 3,4; Class Play 3,4; Business Mgr. of annual 4; Class President 1,2; Track 3,4;

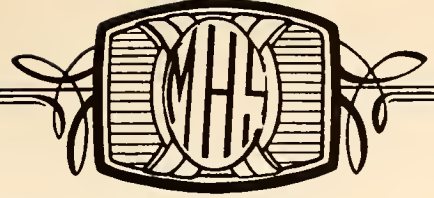
DONALD WITTWER , is the Greek god of the class;
For no better student could teachers ask;
With Jim Becky is first and last,
Why not? She's a very fine lass.

VERA YODER:

Girls Glee Club 2,3; Class Play 3,4; Treasurer of Class 3,4; Choir 2,3; Booster Club 4;

VERA YODER is short and neat;
To be her friend is quite a treat,
She's just as good as she is sweet--
Ask all her boy friends if she can be beat.

ON FEBRUARY 5, 1948, THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS APPEARED AS GUEST EDITORS ON "THE CITY DESK" PROGRAM; MILDRED SCHWARTZ, DONALD WITTWER, MILTON HABEGGER, GRACE LIECHTY, ERNEST STEURY. MR. BYRNES (PRINCIPAL), AND MRS. NEUENSCHWANDER (SPEECH INSTRUCTOR), ACCOMPANIED THE GROUP. DEMONSTRATING A NEW CAMERA IS BOB SMITH, JOURNAL GAZETTE STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER.



1948 CLASS PROPHECY

Two score less thirty years
The Class of '48 have picked careers.
Let's look into the crystal ball,
And see what has been done by all.

A church--by the road side,
A clergman--he's short and wide;
He's now coming through the door:
Who could it be? Rev. Becker! Forevermore!

Now who's this? Oh, its Bonnie;
She's now the wife of Johnnie.
Could there be a better pair
Who never have a trouble or a care?

Oh, Someone's caught for double parking,
Bill Ehrasm on his paper is marking,
Can't you see why he's on top?
Some how or other he became a cop.

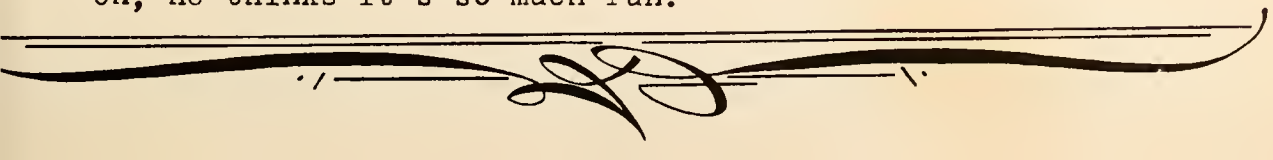
It's Charlie just as happy as can be
Well--he's shouting L. S. M. F. T.
On WGN we hear him daily
With his voice he sings so gaily.

"Mary, what's one plus two?"
Now that isn't much of a clue.
Ray Kauffman, remember him?
He's a school master, tall and slim.

Oh no, she's not a slop,
She's modeling in a Juvenile Shop.
You'd think she's some years younger;
She could be--it's Rosanna Sprunger.

Wow! look at that skater!
Let's come back and see her later.
Sure she's skilled in other sports;
Yes--it's none other than Mildred Schwartz.

Sure, that's Weldon we just saw,
He's now working for an in-law.
Selling gas to everyone;
Oh, he thinks it's so much fun.



Who's this man without a worry?
Oh, it's none other than Ernie Steury.
He says a career is hard to find,
So he's the happy-go-lucky kind.

What's up now? We're seeing double,
Two of a kind--that's the trouble.
It's Leroy and Elroy of whom we're speaking;
A job in Hollywood they are seeking.

Ouch! This is going to hurt;
It's Lee that should be alert.
If your aching teeth need care,
All you have to do is go right there.

Bang! Went the kitchen door.
It's Carl with his foot caught once more.
The "Woman's Home Companion" isn't needed in this home,
So to another house-wife he will roam.

There is the place over the hill,
Down close to the village mill.
Becky and Don in their little abode,
And Junior at play by the side of the road.

Betty--now a farmer's wife,
How she loves the country life.
Helping Frank day after day,
Milking cows and making hay.

Yes, it's the Zollner Pistons playing,
And it's Chester they are paying.
He'll do it all his life,
To support Grace Fisher--his wife.

Wow! There's the new look!
A new hair-do, that's all it took.
If you want yours to look the same,
Phone 421--Vera Yoder--that's her name.

INSURANCE--is written above the door,
Let's go on in and find out more,
Why is Donna Lou working here?
She's Paul's wife--that makes it clear.

Now the crystal ball begins to fade,
Success by each on has been made;
What next will happen only time will tell,
Now we bid you all farewell.

SENIOR WILL

Upon being doomed to end our days at Monroe High School, we, the Senior Class of 1948, do hereby make our last will and testament bequething our last scholarly effects to our most beloved teachers and to our dear friends, the Juniors. Being of our faculities we so generously grant to them the following:

To Mr. Byrnes, the "chief" during our final year, we will a brand new paddle for his use in the years to come.

To Mrs. Neuenschwander, we will a lifetime membership to the Ladies' Gossiping Society hoping she will hear more news to convey back to the students at M.H.S.

To Miss Lucas we will a tall, dark, and handsome man to make her life in Berne less boring.

To Miss Miller we will longer and more mushy love letters with the hope that she will continue reading them to her Home Economics Classes.

To Mr. Snyder we will a size 34 pair of pants in the hope that some day he will fit them.

To Mrs. Byrnes we will a new pair of slacks to wear in her Latin Class in case the first pair wears out.

To Mrs. Ehrsam we will a new iron rod to keep order in her music classes, as we find the one in use now is depreciating.

To Mr. Knauff we shall not undertake the task of willing anything, as his needs are so numerous we do not know where to begin.

I, Norman Becher, do will and bequeth my wavy hair and 39 chevrolet to Paul Bradford.

I, Bonnie Christener, do will and bequeth my wagging tongue to Jeanette Schwartz.

I, Bill Ehrsam, do will and bequeth my hobby of collecting poker chips to Byron Liechty.

I, Charles Habegger, do will and bequeth my desire for a Studebaker to Waneta Neuenschwander.

I, Chester Hirschy, do will and bequeth my ability to flirt with that certain someone in school to Bob Zerby.

I, Ray Kauffman, so will and bequeth my ability to spend class funds for playing pool to Christine Sprunger.

I, Lee Moser, do will and bequeth my basketball ability to Bob Beitler.

I, Carl Nussbaum, do will and bequeth my success with women to Claren Lehman.

We, the twins, Elroy and Leroy Nussbaum, who do everything together, do will and bequeth our quiet nature to Dick Coppess and Carl Bauman.

I, Paul Nussbaum, do will and bequeth my ability to sleep in school without getting caught to Pauline Nussbaum.

I, Rebecca Nussbaum, do will and bequeth my matronly ways to Bertha Ray.

I, Weldon Nussbaum, do will and bequeth my ability to get our of class at the right t ime to Grace Liechty.

I, Betty Roudebush, do will and bequeth my ability to play "hooky" from school to Vera Inniger and my short hair to Mary Alice Steury.

I, Mildred Schwartz, do will and bequeth my ability to apply my intelligence to Bob Roth and some of my height to Derryl Lehman.

I, Rosanna Sprunger, do will and bequeth my deportment grades for Mrs. Neuenschwander to Milton Habegger and my robust ways to Donna Lou Crist.

I, Ernest Steury, do will and bequeth my ability to argue with Mr. Knauff to Gladys Zurcher.

I, Donald Wittwer do will and bequeth my ability of whispering to a certain someone to Kenny Funk.

I, Vera Yoder, last but not least do will and bequeth my girlish figure to Shirley Striker.

JOKES

Teacher: Why does the sun never set on the British Empire?
Kauffman: Because the good Lord can't trust him in the dark.

"Have you read "Freckles?"
"No, Ma'am, mine are brown."

Diner-Do you serve crabs here?
Waiter-We serve anyone, sit down!

Waitress: Did you order a honeymoon salad?
Bonnie: Yeah,"lettuce alone."

"Do you know what the 'Little Man Who Wasn't There' eats for breakfast?"
"No"
"Ghost Toasties."

Said the toe to the sock,
Let me through, let me through.
Said the sock to the toe,
I'll be "darned" if I do.

"That car sure is a bargain."
"On the level?"
"Sure, but not on a hill."

A young theologian named Fiddle,
Refused to accept his degree;
"For," said he, "Tis enough to be Fiddle,
Without being Fiddle, D. D."

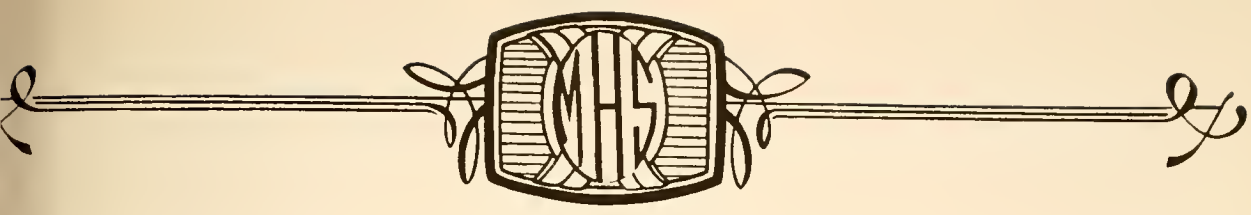
"While you were in the hospital, did they put stitches in you?"
"No, I just pulled myself together."

"I saw your picture in the rogues' gallery, Butch."
"Yeah, I was framed."

Customer--Shave and massage.
Barber--I hear you have been going out with my wife.
Customer--Just a massage.

First Baseman--Come on "Lefty," hold him on.
Pitcher--You hold him on, you're closer.

Juniors



JUNIORS

Hop, skip, and a jump! Last September we juniors trotted gaily back to school to display our wisdom or perhaps ignorance would be a better word. After adjusting ourselves to the long grind we elected class officers as follows: President, Pauline Nussbaum; Vice-President, Gladys Zurcher; Secretary, Milton Habegger; and Treasurer, Dick Coppess. Our class sponsor is Mr. Knauff.

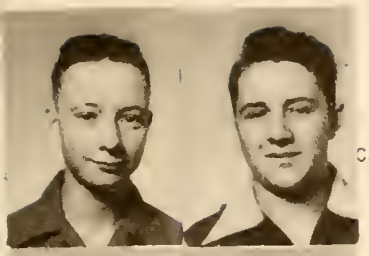
In april we presented the class play "But Fair Tomorrow" under the direction of Mrs. Neuenschwander.

The twenty-seventh of April was an important day. We juniors played host to the seniors at the Junior-Senior reception.

Our class enjoyed several parties during the year.

By the time May rolled arround and the report cards made their last appearance, we were glad to see enough credits to return as seniors next year.

Junior Class



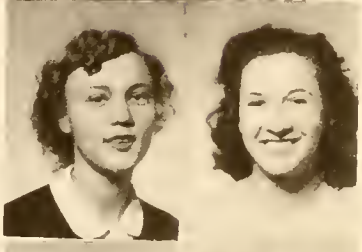
Carl Bauman

Grace Liechty

Bob Beitler

Waneta Neuenschwander

Dick Coppess

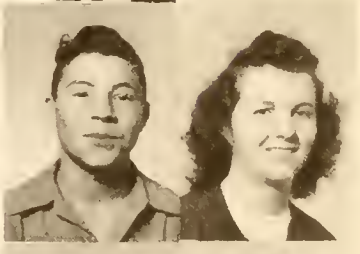


Pauline Nussbaum

Donna Lou Crist

Bertha Ray

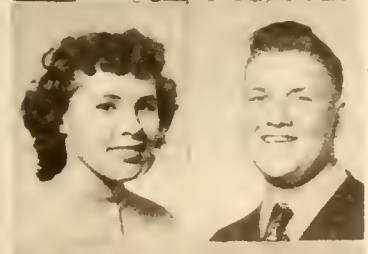
Kenneth Funk



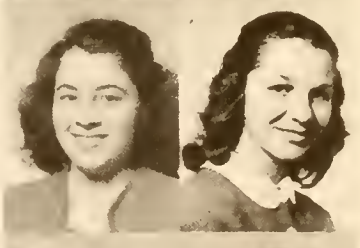
Bob Roth

Milton Habegger

Jeanette Schwartz



Vera Inniger

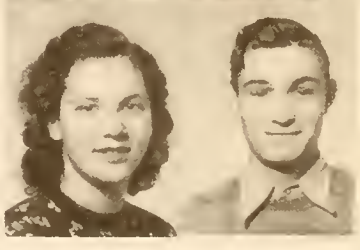


Christine Sprunger

Claren Lehman

Mary Alice Steury

Derryl Lehman



Shirley Striker

Byron Liechty

Bob Zerby

Gladys Zurcher

Not pictured Paul Bradford

toppsy-turvy day ; Byrnes and Trustee ;

Forey's pet car washers ;

Cooks ; Sophomores skating party.

Upper right; Fisher's man

Sophomores

SOPHOMORE HISTORY

After struggling through the many hardships of the Freshman year, we have at last gained the distination of being sophomores. We did nothing startling in our Freshman year but have become renowned through our excellent behavior and scholarly abilities.

At the beginning of our Sophomore year we elected the following officers President, Doyle Lehman: Vice President, Virginia Habegger: Secretary, Darleen Yoder: and Treasurer, Curtis Nussbaum. Miss Miller is our class sponsor, whose pride and joy is her new car.

The sophomores engaged in some very worthwhile activities this year including the selling of magazines and Bearkatz pins.

We enjoyed two class parties this year and are looking forward to more in the future.

Our second year is now at an end and we look back with pleasure to those years not altogether spent in throwing paper wads and writing notes. However, in spite of these things we look eagerly forward to our next two years in which old M.H.S. will know Who's Who.

Sophomore Class

Row 1: Jane Baltzell, Audrey Burkhead, Corette Chamness, Robert Ehrasm, Grace Fisher, Virginia Habegger, Doyle Haines

Row 2: Bonnie Huser, LuElla Jones, Doyle Lehman, Neva Mallonee, Vaughn Mattax, Virgil Moser, Curtis Nussbaum

Row 3: Howard Rich, Glen Rowdon, Donald Rupert, Bruce Schnepp, Kathryn Soldner, Rosalyn Wagner, Darleen Yoder

Not pictured: Bruce Hirschy, Betty McKean

Freshmen
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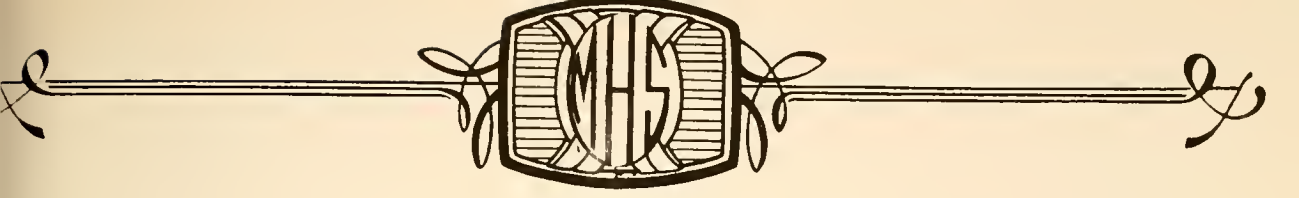


FRESHMEN

We are fortunate in being Freshmen because we envy the upper classmen and sympathize with ourselves. We are an exception to most Freshmen because we aren't in the least "green"! We are thirty-five members in our class.

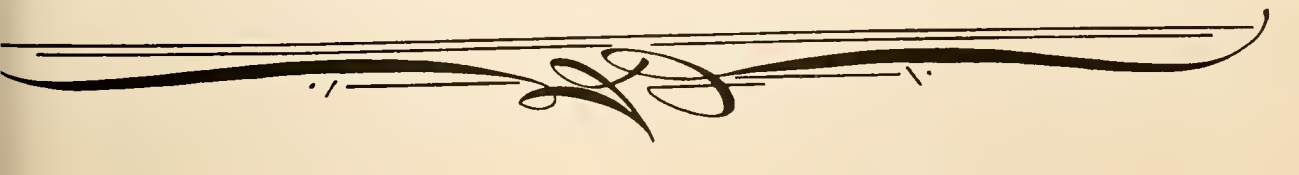
At the start of the year we elected the following class officers which proved to be very efficient. Our President is Donald Haines; Vice-President, Beverly Lobsiger; Secretary, Irene Schwartz, Treasurer; Diana Crist. Mr. Byrnes, our teacher and principal, is our worthy class sponsor.

We participated in a contest with the Sophomores to see which class could sell the most magazines. Although the Sophomores beat us by a wide margin it helped raise the Freshmen class fund.

We have had one class party this year and that was a skating party at "Sunset" in Decatur. We are planning to have another party before school is ou which we are sure will be as much fun as the first one.

We went on a field trip to the New Sentinel building in Fort Wayne. We all enjoyed it very much and found ou how our news-papers, which we read daily, are printed.

Most of us are planning to be seniors and graduate from Monroe High School in "51".



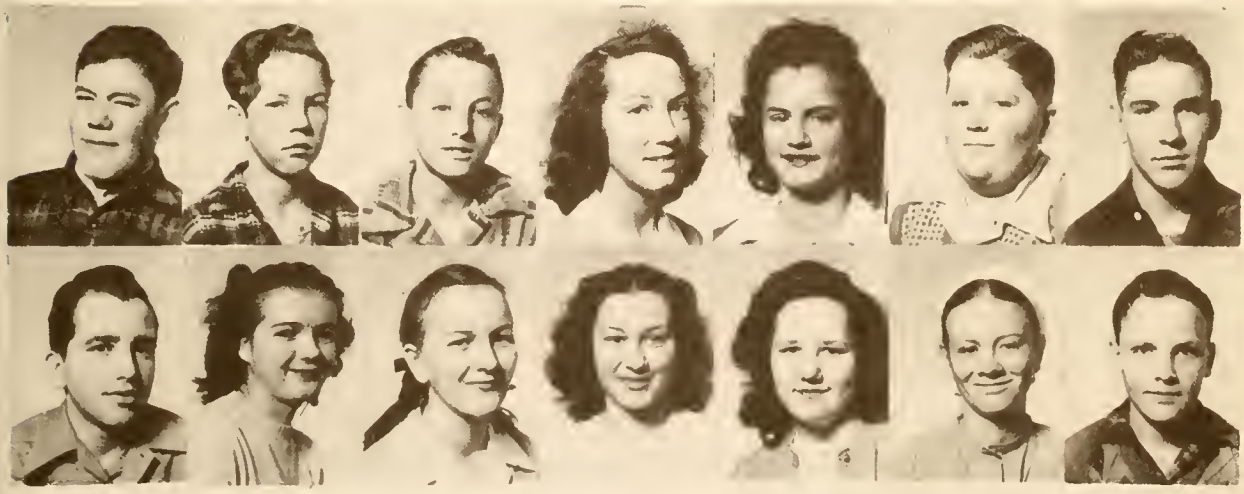
Freshman Class

Row 1: Phyllis Bailey, Mary Baumgartner, Helen Brandyberry, Beulah Christener, Diana Crist, Rex Ehrasm, Shirley Flueckiger

Row 2: Marilyn Fox, Norma Funk, Delores Graber, Marie Habegger, Donald Haines Donald Harvey, Dmitri Hendricks

Row 3: Charles Hoffman, Robert Huser, Joe Lehman, Romayne Litwiller, Beverly Lobsiger, Loren Moser, Gerald Nussbaum

Row 4: Andrew Schrock, Irene Schwartz, Edith Steury, Mary Jane Steury, Lavonne Strahm, Fannie Swartzentruber, Carl Yoder

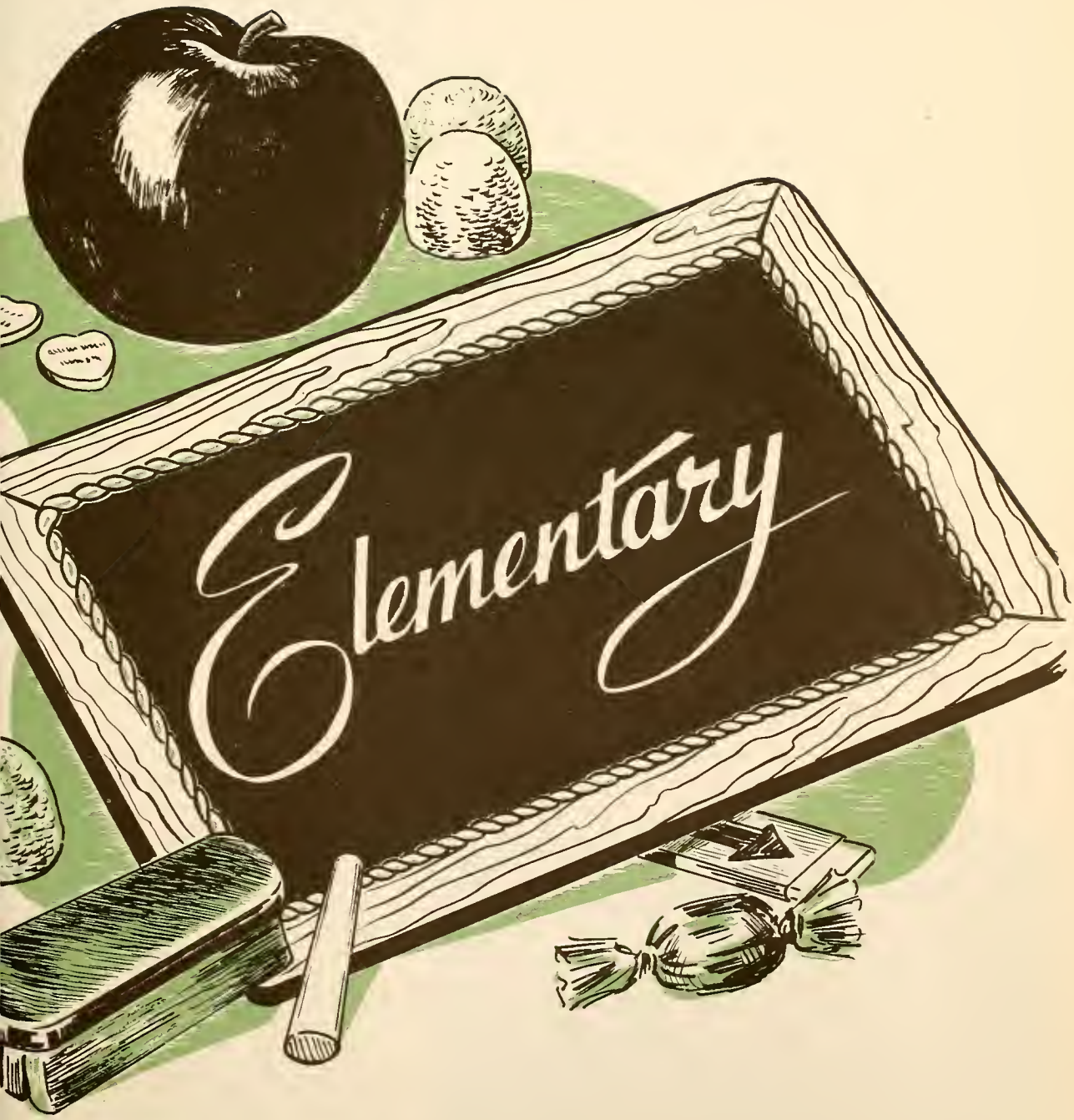


Not pictured: Bill Reinhart, Pauline Rupert, Amos Schwartz, Clara Schwartz, Elizabeth Schwartz, Fannie Schwartz

Sophomore lassies
Monroe School, bless its heart
go on Weldon
Janitor

Bus drivers
come on Bert
Sophomore party
twosome

Cheerleaders
Good old
M.H.S.


Elementary

Under Classmen

Eighth Grade

Back Row: Gloria Lehman, Gloria Crownover, Jean Haines, Lester Schwartz, Berniece Strahm, Phyllis Lehman, Anna Innis-er, Carolyn Schwartz, Glayds Strahm, Stanley Sprunger, Alice Yoder, Millard Habegger, Bob Litwiller.
2nd Row: Earl Yoder, David Sprunger, Mary Lou Hannie, Elizabeth Johnson, Marie Rowdon, Shirley Lehman, Lester Schindler.
Front Row: Cliford Hirschy, Levi Schwartz, Dale Hirschy, David Nussbaum.

Not Pictured: Phyllis Kolie, Jacob Wickey, Ray Zurcher, Henry Schwartz.

Seventh Grade

Back Row:
Marva Strahm,
Arlene Habegger,
Vivian Baumgartner,
Julia Yoder,
Mary Michaels,
Ilene Funk,
Coleen Hirschy.
Middle Row:
Roy Lehman,
Eddy Nussbaum
Don Hollaway,
Chester Beer,

Max Lehman,
Ernest Liechty,
Front Row:
Bill Rowdon,
Jim Brodbeck,
Leroy Chamness.

Not Pictured:
Margaret Schwartz

Sixth Grade

Back Row: Judith Ryf, Nancy Eicher, Marinel Lehman, Pearl Huser, Shirley Bailey, Carol Yoder, Patty Beitler, Caro Moser, Bonnie Naack
Middle Row: Juanita Sapp, Joyce Lehman, Barbara Haugk, Phyllis Sprunger, Neva Sprunger Ruth Ann Liechty
Front Row: Junior Nussbaum, Rex Bovine, Bobby Johnston, Jack Hendricks, Bobby Steury, Harry Mazelin, Luther Lehman.

Not Pictured:
Mary Jane Eicher, Ronnie Stucky, Darrell Stout

Under Classmen

Fifth Grade

Dale Workinger, Gerald Beer, Marinel Stricker, Jimmy Lobsiger, John Rowdon

Fourth Grade

Sonja Schug
Costa Hike
Mary Jane Rice
Kae Christner
Nancy Schoaf
Richard Rowdon

grades 1-2-3

Back Row: Sandra Cramer, Mary Lou Ehrasm, Freddy Schott, Tommy Hoffman, Danny Stout, Jimmy Steiner, Bobby Miller, Linda Lou Schug.
2nd Row: Jerry Bovine, Darrell Grice, Ned Stucky, Mae Christner, Rosa Canales, Linda Schott, Barbara Steiner, Dale Stout.
3rd Row: Joe Sprunger, Jerry Stout, Larry Wittwer, Judy Persons, Maralyn Wable, Georgianna Essex.
Front Row: Fredrick Mann, De Wayne McBride, Donald Ray, Richard Canales, Tarry Hite,
Not Pictured: Dick Bradford, David Guillaume.

Athletics

Basketball Team

BACK ROW: MYRON C. KNAUFF, COACH; WELDON NUSSBAUM, FORWARD; CLAREN LEHMAN, FORWARD; MILTON HABEGGER, CENTER; DOYLE LEHMAN, CENTER; CHESTER HIRSCHY, GUARD.

FRONT ROW: PAUL NUSSBAUM, GUARD; ROBERT EHRSAM, GUARD; CHARLES HABEGGER, FORWARD; LEE MOSER, FORWARD; GLEN ROWLAND, GUARD.

BASKETBALL

The year of 1947-1948 has not been to successful as far as winning games has been concerned, but we have mastered many things that we feel has developed more character than just winning games. There were five Seniors on the squad: Weldon Nussbaum, Lee Moser, Chester Hirschy, Paul Nussbaum, and Charles Habegger.

The team won 8 and lost 14 games for their season's record.

Monroe	29	Monmouth	27
Monroe	25	Kirkland	35
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COUNTY TOURNEY

Monroe	39	Kirkland	37
Monroe	25	Hartford	31

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Monroe	27	Kirkland	30
Monroe	59	Catholics	38

SECTIONAL TOURNEY

Monroe	44	Jefferson	36
Monroe	35	Hartford	41

SECONDS

The seconds have accomplished almost the same record as the first team. They are players that will help the future teams of Monroe High School. For their season's record the seconds won 8 games and lost 10.

SOFTBALL

The team as a whole had a good year, they had a lot of fun in softball and baseball. They won 6 and lost 2 games in softball and won 1 and lost 1 in baseball.

There were six seniors on the regular squad; the rest of the team was made up of under classmen. Seniors were as follows: Bill Ehrsam, Chester Hirschy, Weldon Nussbaum. The underclassmen were: Claren Lehman, Milton Habegger, Byron Liechty, who are Juniors. Sophomores: Robert Ehrsam, Doyle Lehman, Glen Rowdon. Freshman: Charles Huffman, Demetri Hendricks, Don Haines, Gerald Nussbaum.

Here's hoping that the team has a better season and more luck in sports next year.

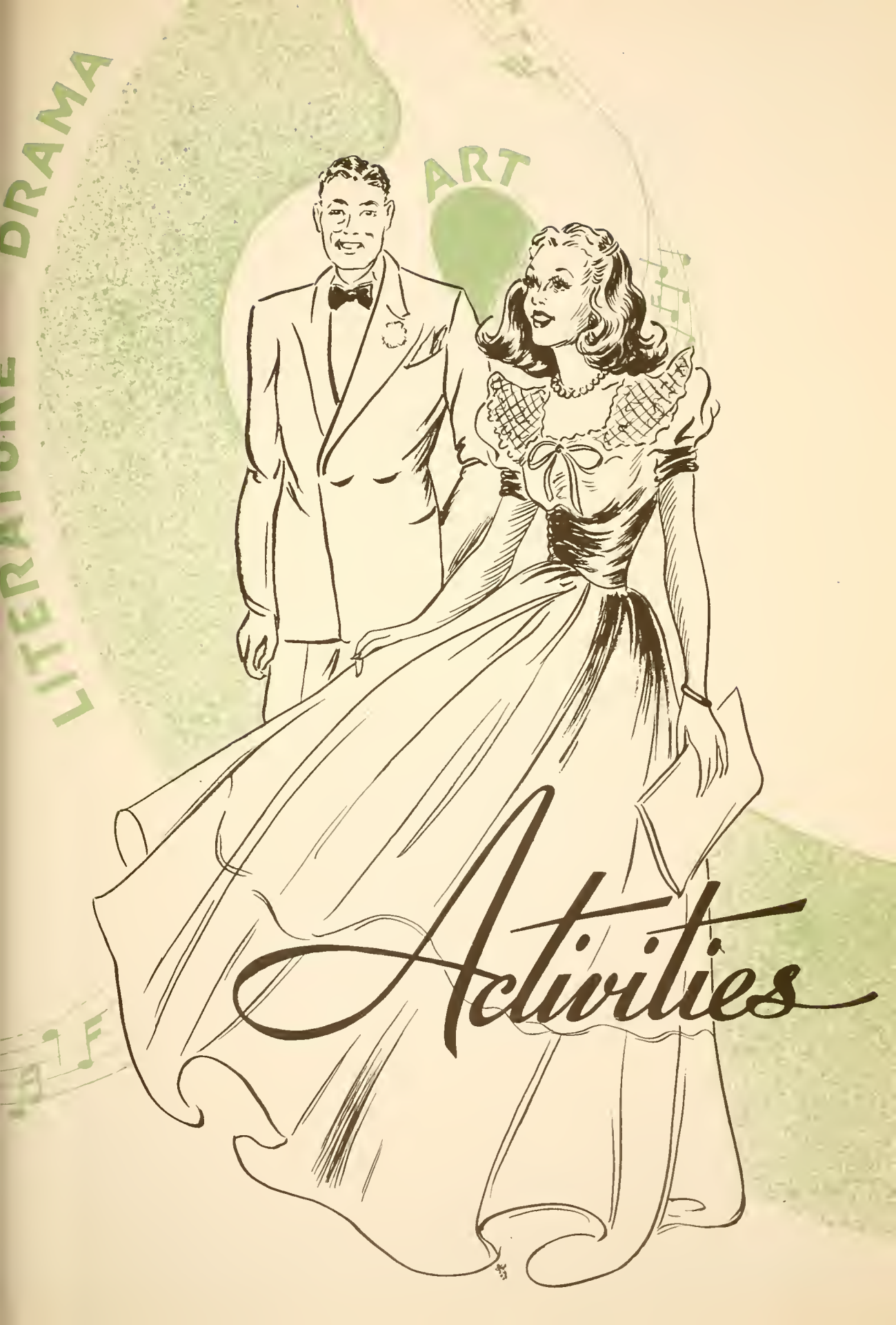
Second Team

Pep Session

1st Team Yell Leaders

2nd Team Yell Leaders

Tip Off: Monroe & Commies


LITERATURE
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Activities

Chorus

First Row - Bonnie Christener, Pauline Rupert, Betty McKean, Mary Alice Steury, Darlene Yoder, Donna Crist, Waneta Neuenschwander, LuElla Jones, Bertha Ray.

Second Row - Gladys Zurcher, Grace Liechty, Jeanette Schwartz, Bruce Hirschy, Bob Roth, Howard Rich, Vera Inniger, Pauline Nussbaum, Rebecca Nussbaum, Christine Sprunger.

Third Row - Charles Habegger, Doyle Lehman, Claren Lehman, Dick Coppess, Shirley Stricker.

Glee Club

rst. ow . Beulah Christener, Marlyn Fox, Shirley Flueckiger.

cond. ow . Mary Steury, Delores Graber, Pauline Rupert, Irene Schwartz, Gladys Zurcher, Donna Crist, Bertha Ray, Diana Crist, Waneta Neuenschwander

ird . low . Romaine Litwiller, Bonnie Christener, Darlene Yoder, Grace Liechty, Mary Alice Steury, Helen Brandyberry, Vera Inniger, Norma Funk, Lavone Strahm, Christene Sprunger.

ourth. Row . Betty McKean, Phyllis Bailey, Jeanette Schwartz, Shirley Striker Pauline Nussbaum, Rebecca Nussbaum, Beverly Lobsiger, LuElla Jones

Industrious Five

Basketball Senior Awards

Anything for GRADES

BAND

Front Row: Bruce Hirschy, Demetri Hendricks, Max Lehman, Curtis Nussbaum, Shirley Lehman,
Second Row: Donald Rupert, Darryl Lehman, Donald Wittwer, Howard Rich, Byron Liechty, Bob Litwiller,
Back Row: Mary Alice Steury, Delores Graber, Darleen Yoder, Kathern Soldner, Romaine Litwiller, Phyllis Kolie, Rebecca Nussbaum, Anna Inniger, Shirley Stricker, Donna Lou Crist, Jeanette Schwartz, Rosalyn Wagner, Phyllis Lehman, Diana Sue Crist, Virginia Habegger, Gloria Lehman, Vera Inniger, Waneta Neuenschwander.

Teacher--Are you ready to recite your lovely poem about spring, Willie?
Willie--Yes, Ma'am, "Hi Diddle, Diddle, the cat and the fiddle, the cow jumped over the moon,--some spring, eh?

SCHOOL CALENDAR

August

28. We register. Back at the old grind again.

September

5. Juniors get their first experience at sales resistence on junior rings.
9. Softball game with Hartford.
11. We try our luck at baseball against Geneva. Not much luck.
16. Another game with Hartford. We won again.
19. Monroe didn't celebrate its centennial today.
22. Seniors made history by having a good party.
26. Lucky Washington township students! They got to go to the Bluffton fair. Maybe we live in the wrong place.
29. Sophomores skated at Sunset.

October

1. Basketball practice starts.
7. Started our weekly chapel service with Rev. Lester, of Decatur, as speaker.
9. First School-Community meeting. Do we get a new school?
10. What was that crash? Chester Hirschy had a nervous break down in typing class.
15. Horror of horrors! Report cards already. Do you think we'll graduate?
17. "Bobby sox, saddle shoes," our first pep session!
23 Yippee! Today the teachers have to go to school. I always thought they needed to learn more.

November

1. We won our first basketball game.
10. Hunting season opened. Maybe that's where the rest of our students were; Dress rehearsal for the class play was a flop. Sure hope things go better tomorrow.
11. "Polishing Papa" was a howling (?) success.
15. We give the class play again.
20. Mr. Knauff: "Charles Hoffman, are you fond of algebra?"
Charles Hoffman: "Yes, I'm stuck on every problem."

27. Thanksgiving vacation starts.

December

1. Back at school. No vacation now for three whole weeks.
3. Seniors choose Baccelaureate and Commencement speakers.
9. N. L. Becher was snowed in at his girls house last night at Willshire.
12. Rat bait distributated among students.
24. Dismissed this noon for Christmas vaction.

January

9. A 15 minute pep session.
15. Juniors and Sophomores go to Fort Wayne to visit Post Office.
16. Monroe Junior High defeated by Debolt in their first basketball game.
26. Our dearest friend Miss Miller was absent today.
29. Today was the Farmers Institute.
30. Smith and Zerchel of Hartford escort yell leaders home after the Monroe and Hartford game.

February

5. Five of our students participated on the radio program, The City Desk, over station WKJG.
10. Juniors and Seniors go to Berne for a T.B. examination.
16. We poor Seniors had another vocabulary test.
19. Seniors decide on class colors, flower, and motto.
20. Order Regional tickets today.
20. Becher brings his girl from Willshire to the basketball game at Berne to see Monroe whip Decatur Commodores by 22 points.
20. When the cat is away the mice will play. Mr. Byrnes was at South Bend all day to the Drivers Conference.
26. Today was Mrs. Neuenschwander's birthday. What a day. She claims she is 39 but she looks a sweet 16.
27. Dismiss early today because of sectional tourney.

March

5. Seniors receive their good looks in the form of graduation pictures.

11. Seniors go to Fort Wayne. They all got out of the Police Station safely.
19. There's nothing like a good cyclone to break up school.
22. Windows all fixed. Back to school.
25. Seniors go to visit Berne Bank.

April

2. County Music Festival at Geneva.
5. Freshman enjoy hay ride.
6. Juniors give class play "But Fair Tomorrow".
9. High School enjoy movie "How Green Was My Valley".
27. Junior entiretain seniors at Reception.

May

2. Baccaleaurate.
6. Commencement.

A button is a small event that is always coming off.

Despondent--Another drink and things will look different.

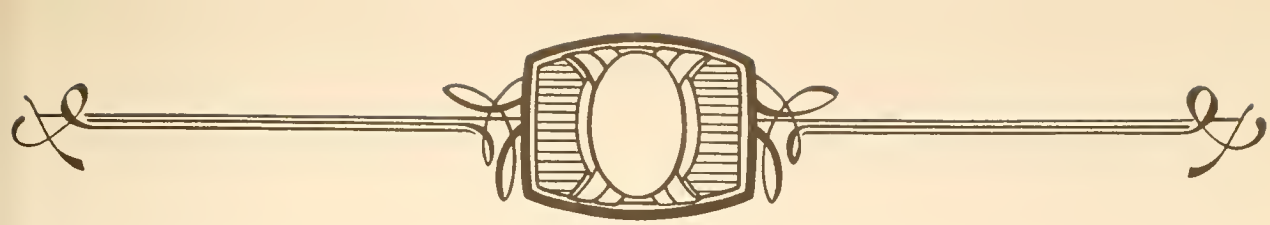
Give some people enough rope and they'll skip off with your wife.

Warden--I've had charge of this prison for ten years. We're going to celebrate, What kind of a party do you boys suggest?
Prisoners--OPEN HOUSE.

"Why do sailors use knots instead of miles?"
"To be sure the ocean's tide."

"Why do you always flirt with the waitress?"
"I'm playing for big steaks."

"Do you know why New York has no FOG?"
"No."
"They use skyscrapers."



Alumni Members

-1914-
William Adler
Harry Kessler
Ray Peterson
Lawrance Spuller
Nancy Halberstadt
Anna Hendricks

-1915-
Orville Kessler
Marin Bushe
Clifton C. Duer
Mae Halberstadt
Bryan Hendricks
Frances Kessler
Carl A. Shirk
Genevieve Spuller
Morris Butcher

-1916-
Daniel Adler
Naomi Dulin
Clarence Elrzy
Clara Gilbert
Rhuben Hahnert
Ruth Hahnert
Edrye Davis
Clark John

-1917-
Marion Watkins
Hettie Loudon
Cecil Rickord
Chelsie Strait
Lucile Thomas
Miriam Thomas
Don Andrews
Pryor Gilbert
Ralph Stogdill

-1918-
Harvey Haggard
Raymond Crist
John Shirk
Raymond Keller
Arthur Spuller
Blanche Davis
Alice Gerber
Martha McKean
Vivian Hendricks
Mary McKean
Ada Lamminman

-1919-
Louise Busche
Olive Webster
Otis Myer

-1920-
Carl Maryz
Thelma Berkhead
Levina Christner
Gerald Hendricks
Velva Ray
Donald Essex

-1921-
Mary Thomas
Albert Coppess
Lola Parrish
Hazel Gilbert
Sanford Wagner
Arnold Rhinehard
George Harver
Ralph Myers

-1922-
Sylvester Everhart
Chester Kessler
Deward Lehman
Cecil Myer
Electa Oliver
Lynn Shirk
Kirk Smith
Leota Smith
Francile Spulle
Louise Thomas

-1923-
Veda Andrews
rzia Crist
Josephine Heffner
Lucile Heffner
Rhoda Lehman
Alice McKean
Margaret McKean
Robert Myer
Viola Reinhard
Roxier Kessler
Ruth Libey

-1924-
Letitia Burkhead
Grace Butler
Altar Hahnert
Lauva Hendricks
Howard Johnson
Lucile Laisure
Marguerite Lewellen
Vera Martz
Minnie Mills
Inez Parrish
Ferdinand Smith
Helen Thomas
True Andrews
John Moore
Gottlieb Stauffer

-1925-
Harley Ehrsam
Beaterice Erp
McGee Hendricks
Golda Martz
Francile Oliver
Sylvan Rupert
Lillie Snell
Orley Walters
Margariet Striker

-1926-
Mildred Coppess
Creo Crist
Jesse Essex
Kenneth Kessler
Marion Martz
Harriet McKean
Floyd Mitchel
Harlan Osterman
Clara Reppert
Everett Rice
George Smith
Carl Whitenack
Ernest Whitenack

-1927-
Mardell Hocker
Ruth Martz
Chrystal Sells
Leo Strahm

-1928-
Vale Smith
Donald Elzey
Hubert Keller
Ruth Schwartz
Emma Striker
Genevieve Walters
Jay Yash

-1929-
Floyd Johnson
Leo McAhreu
Lois Zurchar
Percy Gould
Loma Hahnert
Alvin Andrews

-1930-
Charles Andrewa
Paul Bahner
Henry Busche
Franklin Duer
Harold Essex
Floyd Rupert
Mary Schwartz
Miriam Yoeman

-1931-
Ruth Bahner
Howard Brandyberry
Frieda Meyerly
Doyld Hoffman
Lois Hoffman
Paul Meyer
Osie Striker
Elmo Stuckey
Naomi Walters
Mina Wynn
Dessie Mazelin

-1932-
Grace Chilcote
Wilbur Fricke
Ruby Hendricks
Delores Longenberger
Helen Mitchel
Carl Bauserman
Olive Huser

-1933-
Delores Egly
Esther Fricke
Jeanette Rich
Doris Laisure
Virgil Gilbert
Billy Bovine
George Garrett
Harold Ray
Glennys Roop
Helen Roop
Gordon T. Sprunger
Howard Nussbaum
Anna V. Liechty
Ernestine Liechty
Carmen Schwartz

-1934-
Wava Holloway
Dortha Strickler
Alra Morgan
Ruby Rupert
Anoli Walters
Dorma McDaniel
Esther Hirshy
Neva Fricke
Helen Bluhm
Donna Landrum
Ireta Egly
Lewis Hendricks
Roger Bluhm
Marcel Everhart
Glen Stucky
Max Bahner
Roy S. Strickler
Ray Musser
Othella Mattax
Nellie McClain
Ernest Schwartz
Laura Soldner
Robert Strik r
Melvin Liechty
Omer Yeoman
Elmer Ludy

-1935-
Marie Soldner
Erline Stucky
Drusilla Burkhead
Chole Essex
Dale Ryg
Novitas Moser
Harry Musser
Loris Habenger
Donald Gage
Edgar P. Sprunger
Harold Andrews
Alda Leichty
Paul S. Liechty
Evelyn Ludy
Vivian Schwartz
Opal Sprunger
Howard Fox
Marie Neuenschwander
Lydiann Lehman

-1936-
Leo Nussbaum
Marjory Blun
Margaret Burkhead
John Christener
Mabel Fricke
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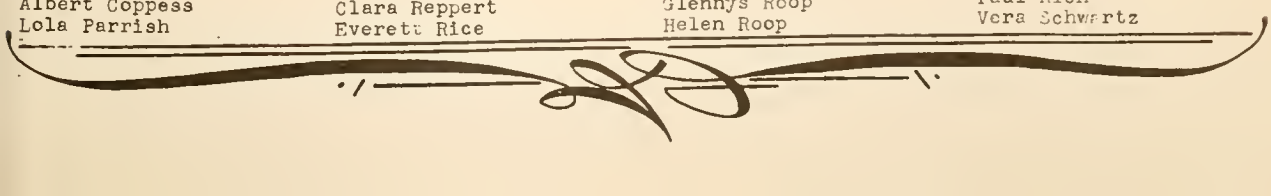

Alumni Members

Dorothy Shaff
Janet Soldner
Sherman VonGunten
Clarence Hook
Denver Yoder
Dorvin Wolfe
Earl Lehman
Vincent Hanni

-1937-
Otho Andrews
George Engle
Harold Fricke
Ermal Gilbert
Kermit Hocker
Jean Huser
Thora Kauffman
Ruth Landrum
Harvey Laughrey
Corrine Liechty
Elfrieda Liechty
Rufine C. Liechty
Kenneth Longenberger
Richard Moser

-1938-
Christine Andrews
Inez Birch
Betty Burkhart
Lorn Burkhead
Chryatal Christener
Ester Diehl
Augeline Habegger
Helen Habegger
Lavon Lehman
Anna B. Liechty
Freida Ruth Liechty
Ruth Ludy
Dorothy McClain
Lawrence Morgan
Verlin Moser
Loris Neuenschwander
Elmer Nussbaum
Ruth Nussbaum
Mildred Schindler
Gerhart Schwartz
Lehoy Schwartz
Merlin Sprunger
Esther Steiner
Estella Steury
Willis Taylor
Launeta VonGunten

-1939-
Neola Bailey
Nadean Brookhart
William Diehl
Valier Flueckiger
Gerald Grove
Edith Habegger
Calvin Mahnert
Benjamin Jones
Lester Laughrey
Mable E. Manley
Evangeline Moser
Harold W. Schwartz
Marybelle Snyder
Lorena Soldner
Franklin Steury
Dorothy L. Williams
John S. Buercher

-1940-
Gilbert Brookhart
Portia Burkhead
Lester Essex
Howard Flueckiger
Eugene Gilbert
Harry Habegger
Jesse R. Habegger
Ralph Hanni
Kathleen Harvey
Kathryn Hook
Morris Lehman
Ruth B. Liechty
Ireta Longenberger
Arveda Mazelin
Robert Mounier
Howard W. Moser
Roger Moser
Vernon Neuenschwander
Alvin A. Nussbaum
Lillian M. Nussbaum
Juanita L. Parrish
Dortha Ray
Karl Ray
Virginia M. Schrartz
Willa Ann Sorgen
Ada Marie Sprunger
Doris Sprunger
Emma Jane Sprunger
Esther K. Sprunger
Arvine Steiner
Fern Stucky
Betty Jane White
Betty Jean Williams
James R. Yoder

-1941-
Esther Andrews
Kieth Bailey
Violet Bixly
Wilma Grove
Herman Habegger
Juanita Habegger
MaryAnn J. Habegger
Myron Haggard
Ruth Hamrick
Gromainia Hanni
Chole Kauffman
Julis Lehman
Lorraine Lehman
Maxine Meyer
Wanda J. Meadstine
Mernice Nussbaum
Corrine V. Nussbaum
Truman Nussbaum
Jean E. Oliver
Loris Rich
Berneta Sprunger
Virgil Sprunger
Clinton Steury
Virginia Taylor
Violet Yoder

-1942-
Marjory Branch
Doyt Bryan
Brice Diehl
Chloetta Egly
Lois Essex
Brice Fisher
Virginia Flueckiger
Gorman Gilbert
Nina May Gilbert
Mable Gould
Roselle Haines
Aretha Klopfenstine
Florence Liechty
Bernice Nussbaum
Betty J. Nussbaum
Milo Nussbaum
Verna Nussbaum
Helen Ray
Doyle Rich
Lofton Rich
Arthur Roudebush
Paul Schug
Anna J. Schwartz
Doris Sprunger
Ilva P. Sprunger
Josephine Sprunger
Max Winteregg
Verna Gene Stiner

-1943-
Betty Amstutz
Kathryn Bailey
Barbara Bryan
Mary Burkhead
Neva Cook
Quentin Crist
Doris DeArmond
Catherine Ehrsam
Ellen Fisher
Betty Fosnaugh
Robert Gage
Evelyn Graber
Edward Habegger
Elmer Habegger
Helen Habegger
Rosemary Habegger
Helen Ruth Haines
Ruth Hanni
Pauline Huser
Thomas Johnson Jr.
Leroy Lehman
Delores Litwiller
Joan Oliver
Loyd Roef
Edward Roudebush
Eleanore Schwartz
Treva Mae Soldner
Naomi Stuery
Donald Trump
Edward VonGunten
Darrel Wagner

-1944-
Roger Amstutz
Gertude Brandeberry
Richard Bryan
Raymond Chamness
Neva Crowmover
Patty Fox
Beverly Gilbert
Junior Hoffman
Robert Johnson
Eleanor Kennel
Maynard Lehman
Henrietta Liechty
Martha McDaniel
Robert Nussbaum
Beverly Reichert
Arnold Roughia
Billy Sadler
Dale Schott
Marie Schrock
Lois Schug
Gertrude Schwartz
Betty Smitley
Loretta Soldner
Donald Sprunger
Forest Sprunger
Florine Stuery
Mary Trump
Marjory Yoder

-1945-
Mildred Beer
Wanda Burkhead
Clair Christener
Marie Christener
Jean Coppess
Billy Flueckiger
Mable Guntle
Corrine Habegger
Pauline Hanni
Chester Longenberger
Lawerence Macy
James Nussbaum
Raymond Sadler
Max Schindler
David J. Schwartz
Verne Sprunger
Dorothy Sprunger

-1947-
Max Bailey
Loren Beer
Max Crowmover
Harvey Habegger
Samuel Habegger
Marilyn Kennel
Romaine Lehman
Christian Liechty
Rowena Mattax
Robert Mattax
Cleora Nussbaum
Howard Nussbaum
Lorena Nussbaum
Janice Oliver
Luster Rich
Robert Sadler
Ernestine Schrock
Arleda Sorgen
Gerald Sprunger
Shirley Sprunger
Ruth Steury
Verna Steury

-1947-
Klessan Brandeberry
Janet Bryan
Bonnie Lou Burke
Eileen Graber
Betty Hirschy
Arminda Inniger
Irvin Liechty
Sherman Liechty
Vernon Liechty
Verna Litwiller

Vernon Zurcher
Charlotte McDaniel
Herbert Myers
Vaugan Myers
Reuben Nussbaum
Jane Palmer

Edward Pierce
Clisty Rich
Adrian Sprunger
Coleen Wagner
Joshua Zurcher

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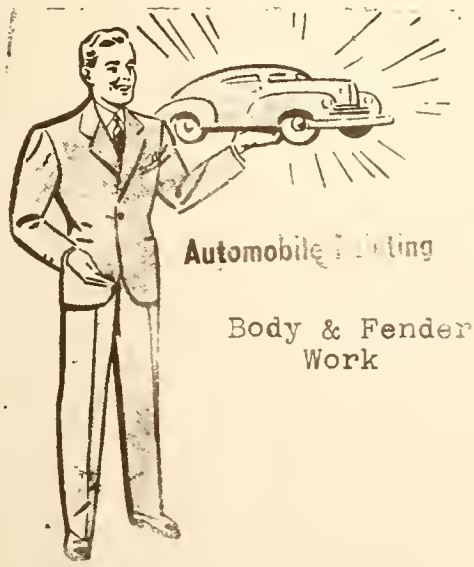

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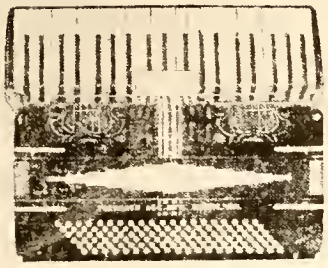

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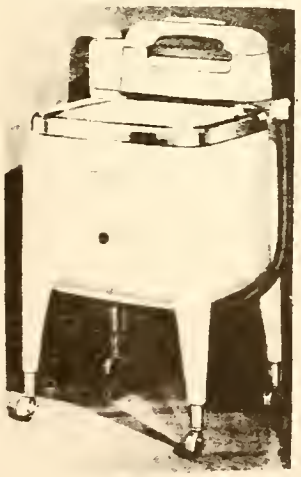

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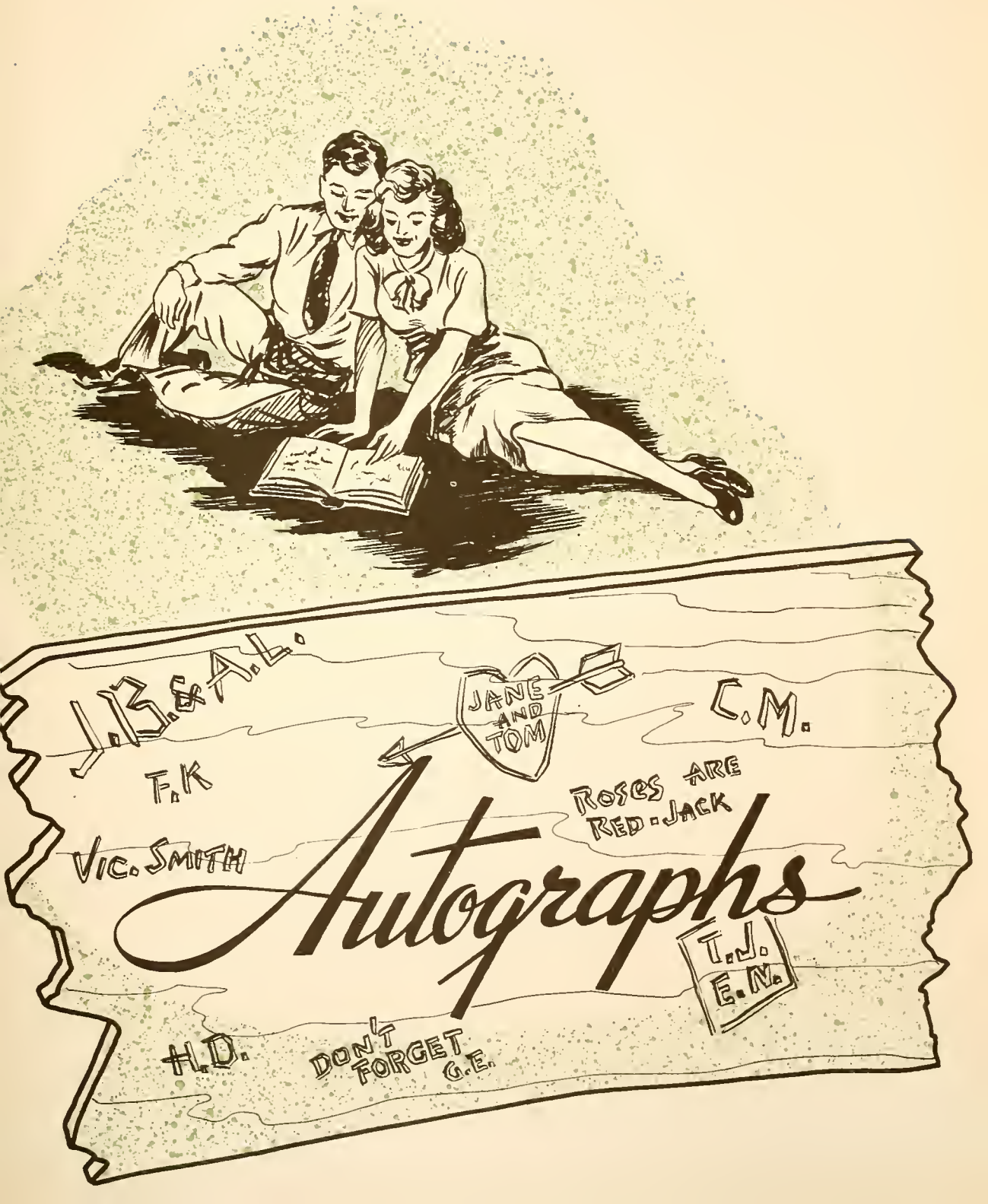
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